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-	Enclosed is a certified copy of Serial No from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.55b and 35 U.S.C. § 119.
C C	Enclosed is an Assignment of the invention to [Assignee], including a cover sheet and Check No. [Assignment Check No.] for \$40.
	A Declaration of Inventorship and Limited Power of Attorney is enclosed.
	A Certificate of Ownership and Power of Attorney is enclosed.
Ø	Enclosed is a Declaration of Matthew J. Birdsall Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 with Exhibit A.
Ø	Enclosed herewith is a amendment/response for filing in relation to the above-identified application. Entry and consideration of this amendment/response is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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